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SUBJ: VISIT OF MISS FE VILLAFUERTE OF DEVELOPMENT BANK
OF PHILIPPINES

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1. CALLS MADE TO FIRMS AND/OR ASSOCIATIONS LISTED
REFTEL AND ALMOST ALL HAVE SHOWN CONSIDERABLE INTEREST
MEETING WITH HER. HOWEVER MORE INFORMATION NEEDED
BEFORE AN ITINERARY CAN BE ARRANGED.

2. DUE TO DIVERSITY OF MISS VILLAFUERTE'S INTERESTS
AND THE BREVITY OF HER VISIT, IT DESIRABLE TO KNOW HER
PRIORITIES. THEREFORE, MOST DESIRABLE VILLAFUERTE MEET
WITH DOC ASAP AFTER HER ARRIVAL IN U.S. SUGGEST VILLAFUERTE
MEET WITH DOC PROJECT OFFICER IN WASHINGTON MORNING
APRIL 19 OR APRIL 22.

3. HOSPITAL FIRMS ANXIOUS MEET WITH MISS VILLAFUERTE.
HOWEVER, DR. HAROLD GRANING, ASSISTANT SURGEON GENERAL,
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HEW, WOULD LIKE MEET MISS VILLAFUERTE EITHER APRIL 30 OR

MAY 1, PRIOR TO HER TALKING WITH FIRMS. MISS SUZANNE BATKO OF THE AMERICAN HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION IN CHICAGO WOULD LIKE MEET WITH MISS VILLAFUERTE IN CHICAGO OR TO TALK VIA PHONE WITH HER. DR. GORDON FRIESEN OF FRIESEN INTERNATIONAL IN WASHINGTON WOULD LIKE MEET VILLAFUERTE DURING WEEK OF APRIL 30 TO MAY 3.

4. THE ARCHITECTS COLLABORATIVE ALSO ANXIOUS MEET HER EITHER IN BOSTON OR NEW YORK. MR. HOWARD ELKUS OF ARCHITECTS COLLABORATIVE GOING ON TRADE MISSION TO PHILIPPINES WHERE HE WILL DISCUSS HOSPITAL PROJECT WITH DBP. MR. ELKUS WILL RETURN TO U.S. ON MAY 1 AND WOULD LIKE MEET MISS VILLAFUERTE THEN.

5. AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF HOSPITAL CONSULTANTS AND AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS SENDING LISTS TO U.S. DOC OF RECOMMENDED FIRMS. USDOC WILL ARRANGE AS MANY MEETINGS AS MISS VILLAFUERTE DESIRES WITH FIRMS IN HOSPITAL FIELD.

6. SLAUGHTERHOUSE AND REFRIGERATION DESIGN SERVICES, DOCTOR PETERSON OF PLANT FACILITIES SECTION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE WORKING ON A LIST OF CONSULTANTS AND ARCHITECTS. MR. KENNETH ANDERSON OF REFRIGERATING ENGINEERS AND TECHNICIANS ASSOCIATION RECOMMENDED FIRM OF FREEZING EQUIPMENT SALES IN YORK, PENNSYLVANIA. MR. DEROCHE OF FREEZING EQUIPMENT SALES WOULD LIKE MEET WITH MISS VILLAFUERTE IN YORK OR IN WASHINGTON. FREEZING EQUIPMENT SALES IN A SPECIALIZED FIRM WHICH CAN ENGINEER, DESIGN, CONSTRUCT AND EQUIP THESE PLANTS. THIS FIRM DOES WORK OVERSEAS.

7. LABOR INTENSIVE MANUFACTURE. MR. MIKE KING OF FISHER-PRICE TOYS WOULD LIKE MEET WITH MISS VILLAFUERTE EITHER AT THEIR PLANT IN EAST AURORA, NEW YORK, OR AT THEIR SALES OFFICE IN NEW YORK CITY. MR. DON GREEN OF CREATIVE PLAYTHINGS WOULD LIKE MEET MISS VILLAFUERTE AT THEIR SHOWROOM IN NEW YORK DURING WEEK OF MAY 6 TO MAY 10. MR. PHILIP WEINSTEIN, V.P. FOR TOYS AT MACY'S DEPARTMENT STORE WOULD LIKE MEET HER DURING UNCLASSIFIED

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WEEK OF MAY 6-10 IN NEW YORK. MR. KNOX OF SEARS IN WASHINGTON WOULD BE HAPPY TO ARRANGE APPOINTMENTS WITH BUYERS FOR MISS VILLAFUERTE. SEARS BUYERS FOR WOMEN'S APPAREL ARE LOCATED IN NEW YORK BUT ALL OTHER BUYERS (INCLUDING FOREIGN GOODS AND TOYS) ARE LOCATED IN CHICAGO. MR. KNOX SAYS SEARS IS INTERESTED PURCHASING MORE PHILIPPINE GOODS.

8. PLANTATION AGRICULTURE. MR. JOHN CURRIER OF NATIONAL PEANUT COUNCIL IN MCLEAN, VIRGINIA, WOULD LIKE TO TALK WITH MISS VILLAFUERTE. MR. CURRIER NEEDS MORE INFORMATION BEFORE HE CAN SUGGEST FIRMS WHICH MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN PEANUT PRODUCTION IN THE PHILIPPINES. BOTH THE AMERICAN SOYBEAN ASSOCIATION AND THE NATIONAL SOYBEAN PROCESSORS ASSOCIATION WERE CONTACTED, BUT NEITHER SHOWED ANY INTEREST IN MEETING WITH MISS VILLAFUERTE. ANDERSON-CLAYTON OF HOUSTON NOT INTERESTED. USDOC AWAITING WORD FROM AMERICAN COTTON SHIPPERS ASSOCIATION AND CARGILL, INC., AS TO THEIR INTEREST.

9. USDOC HAPPY ASSIST WITH APPOINTMENTS FOR MISS VILLAFUERTE BUT IN VIEW HER BROAD INTEREST AND LIMITED TIME MEETING WITH HER EARLY AFTER ARRIVAL DESIRABLE AND NECESSARY.

10. USDOC PROJECT OFFICER ASSIGNED TO MISS VILLAFUERTE'S VISIT IS MR. GEORGE RUFFNER. POST REQUESTED CONFIRM IF MISS VILLAFUERTE ABLE MEET WITH RUFFNER. RUFFNER ROOM NUMBER IS 4002, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, 14TH AND CONSTITUTION AVE., N.W., WASHINGTON, D.C. PHONE 202-967-3265. KISSINGER

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